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MARGARINE PRODUCTION  
 April 1948

The amount of margarine produced in the United States during April 1948 was 73,683,000 pounds, as shown by compilation of reports received from all margarine manufacturers.

April 1948 production was 27,462,000 pounds more than that of April 1947 and 27,233,000 pounds more than the April average for the 5 years, 1943-47.

Of the total amount produced 73,125,000 pounds, or 99 percent, were manufactured from vegetable oils only and 558,000 pounds or 1 percent, from animal and vegetable oils. Coloring was added to 9 percent, or 6,369,000 pounds of the margarine produced leaving 67,314,000 pounds uncolored.

		Production of margarine containing							
Date	Animal and				Vegetable oils	Total			
	vegetable oils								
	Uncolored	Colored	Uncolored	Colored					
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- Thousands of pounds -									
April 1948.....:	558	:	-	:	66,756	:	6,369	:	73,683
April 1947.....:	1,024	:	33	:	40,015	:	5,149	:	46,221
April 5-yr. average 1943-47:	2,190	:	929	:	37,692	:	5,639	:	46,450
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1947									
May.....:	1,283	:	35	:	31,490	:	4,245	:	37,053
June.....:	1,215	:	44	:	37,182	:	2,519	:	40,960
July.....:	1,379	:	16	:	43,298	:	3,929	:	48,622
August.....:	1,379	:	63	:	44,260	:	3,325	:	49,027
September.....:	2,138	:	68	:	59,834	:	4,622	:	66,662
October.....:	2,418	:	87	:	77,687	:	6,001	:	86,193
November.....:	1,727	:	7	:	70,107	:	8,976	:	80,817
December.....:	2,032	:	72	:	70,109	:	6,244	:	78,457
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1948									
January.....:	2,320	:	100	:	77,731	:	7,621	:	87,772
February.....:	1,787	:	53	:	71,555	:	6,350	:	79,745
March.....:	1,247	:	42	:	64,476	:	5,794	:	71,559
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Yearly Totals									
Total 1947.....:	20,919	:	654	:	661,411	:	55,725	:	738,709
Total 1946.....:	16,321	:	1,533	:	498,419	:	56,379	:	572,652
Total 1945.....:	24,438	:	9,540	:	490,881	:	89,124	:	613,983
Total 1944.....:	33,875	:	10,654	:	446,312	:	92,925	:	583,766
Total 1943.....:	45,765	:	7,957	:	447,883	:	108,526	:	610,131
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Margarine stocks, April 1, 1948

Preliminary figures from the Bureau of Internal Revenue show that on April 1, 1948 stocks of margarine totalled 727,479 pounds colored and 5,002,394 pounds, uncolored.

